(a) whether it is a fact that Government have formulated any panel for the appointment of Homoeopathic Pharmacists in July-August, 1984;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the names of the persons who have been appointed so far; and

(c) what is te name of the last person whose name is in the panel for appointment and by when Government propose to absorb all the remaining candidates for appointment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) Yes, Sir,

(b) and (e) The following persons were on the panel for the year 1984:—

1. Shri Rajesh Kumar
2. ShriPrahalad
3. Kumari Kiran
4. Shri Ashok Kumar

While the persons at SI. No. 1—3havebeen appointed, Shri Ashok Kumar, the last person on the panel, cannot be appointed as the panel of 1984 cannot be operated new under the rules.

Landing of Arm and Ammunitions at Colaba, Bombay

3923. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have seen a press report published in the" Sunday Observer" dated 24thJuly, 1994, to the effect that scouts of three militant groups acting under instructions from ISI have decided to set up an independent hideout, safe houses and escape routes for routing arms and ammunitions in Bombay and to other parts of the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that intelligence reports have confirmed landing of arms and ammunitions at Colaba, Bombay, by smugglers working for ISI; and

(c) if so, what action Government have already taken or propose to take to check destructive activities in Bombay and their spread to other parts of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Security to Scientists

3924. SHRI K. R. MALKANI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of US plans to kidnap and/or hurt scientists in developing countries, to prevent their technological advance as reported in "The Pioneer" of 11th July, 1994; and

(b) if so, whether Government have taken necessary security steps to protect the life and limb of our scientists and technologist in key positions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) The newspaper report has been seen. The Government is not aware of any such plans.

(b) "Police" and "Public Order" are State subjects and as such it is primarly the responsibility of the concerned State Government/Union Territory Administration to provide security to the persons residing within their jurisdiction. Based on threat assessment, our scientists posted in sensititve organisation have been provided security.

Full Statehood to Delhi

3925. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that State Government of Delhi has requested for full statehood to Delhi to help provide its citizens a clean, corruption free, competent administration;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government propose to take in this regard?